

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION

EO 02-02

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER NAMING CO-PACIA_s, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT.

WHEREAS, Performance Accountability and Customer Information Agencies (PACIA) are entities designated by Governors to fulfill two primary functions under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA): 1) assist in the coordination and implementation of a comprehensive performance accountability system which takes into account both state and local performance in delivering workforce investment services (WIA, Section 136); and 2) assist in the implementation of a process to certify eligible training providers and disseminate information regarding these eligible providers to interested consumers of training services (WIA, Section 122); and

WHEREAS, the WIA requires the use of quarterly Unemployment Insurance (UI) wage data for the purpose of assessing program performance; such data includes information regarding entry into unsubsidized employment, retention in unsubsidized employment, as well as earnings received from unsubsidized employment; and

WHEREAS, the Wage Record Interchange System (WRIS) has been developed to facilitate the interstate exchange of such wage data in order to maximize the information available to states to meet these performance measures; PACIA_s are designated as the primary recipients of UI wage data under the Data Sharing Agreement that governs the WRIS; and

WHEREAS, PACIA_s may utilize WRIS wage data for the following purposes: a) to meet performance and reporting requirements for state and local programs authorized under Title I of the Workforce Investment Act (adult, dislocated worker, youth), Wagner-Peyser Act, Veterans Employment & Training under Title 38, Welfare-to-Work and Trade Act; b) to assess the performance of individual training providers under the Workforce Investment Act; and c) to assist in the administration and operation of the WRIS; and

WHEREAS, in general, individually identifiable WRIS wage data may not be disclosed beyond the PACIA; aggregate data derived from individual WRIS data may be disclosed to any interested party and individual data which is not accompanied by a name, social security number or other identifier may be disclosed by the PACIA to the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the WIASRD reporting requirements; except for dissemination of wage data necessary for the administration and operation of the WRIS or in instances in which an individual has given informed written consent to disclosure, under no other circumstance may a PACIA disclose personally identifiable wage data obtained through the WRIS to any other party outside the PACIA;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Huckabee, Governor of the State of Arkansas, declare that the Arkansas Workforce Investment Board and the Arkansas Employment Security Department are appointed as co-PACIA_s for the State of Arkansas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed at the Capitol in Little Rock on this 4th day of October in the year of our Lord, two thousand two.



GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

SECRETARY OF STATE SHARON PRIEST